

Only the First Step is Difficult.

The first step in Spring should be to cleanse Nature's house from Winter's accumulations. Hood's Sarsaparilla does this work easily. It is America's Greatest Spring Medicine. It purifies the blood, as millions of people say.

It makes the weak strong, as nervous men and women gladly testify. It cures all blood diseases, as thousands of cured voluntarily write. It is just the medicine for you, as you will gladly say after you have given it a fair trial.

Bad Blood.—Although, past 70 years of age I am thoroughly well. It was three bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla that made me so after spending over \$50 in medical attendance. My trouble was a new sore on my ankle. Mrs. LOUISA MASON, Court Street, Lowell, Mass.

Running Sores.—After trying four months I gave my children Hood's Sarsaparilla and it cured them of running sores. Hood's Pills cured me of dyspepsia and constipation. Mrs. KARE E. THOMAS, 31 Governor St., Annapolis, Md.

Consumptive Cough.—Five years ago I had a consumptive cough which required me to a sanatorium. Was advised to take Hood's Sarsaparilla which I did and recovered normal health. I have been well ever since. Mrs. B. B. BARNES, Cor. Pearl and Chestnut Sts., Jeffersonville, Ind.

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Hood's Pills cure liver ills, the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

SHIPPING CATTLE TO CUBA.

CHARLESTON TO DEVELOP A LARGE EXPORT TRADE IN CATTLE.

Nothing but Stock Bought and Fattened in the Mountains of South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee and North Carolina will be used for Slaughter.

The prospects are that Charleston will develop a large export trade in cattle for Cuba during the next few months. The preliminary steps toward the accomplishment of this result have already been taken, and the first cargo of cattle will be shipped from this port in the next day or two. The cattle have arrived in the city and the boat, which has been contracted for, is expected to come in at any hour. When the vessel arrives the cattle will be loaded immediately and the shipment made. The projectors of this new enterprise are Mr. W. G. Warr, proprietor of the Augusta Stock Yards, and Mr. John A. Darwin, proprietor of the Charleston Stock Yards. These gentlemen have not only tested this venture by a small shipment of cattle some time ago, but have secured statistics that show conclusively that it is a good thing, and now they intend to go into the business extensively.

The first big shipment will probably leave Charleston to-morrow on a steamer chartered through Israel & Keogh. The shipment will consist of three hundred head of cattle for slaughter, and it will go direct to Havana, where there is a strong demand for cattle at present. For immediate slaughter all cattle will be sent to Havana, and nothing but stock bought and fattened in the mountains of South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee and North Carolina will be used. It has been demonstrated by experiment that for slaughter, within a week or two after arrival in Cuba, this kind of stock is preferable. The cargo now waiting for the ship to put in is made up of this kind of cattle, and not one in the entire three hundred weighs less than 900 pounds. It is a shipment that is calculated, by its condition and appearance, to popularize in Cuba beef received from the port of Charleston.

Messrs. Darwin and Warr do not propose to let their export business end with the shipment of cattle for slaughter. They have also made arrangements to ship cattle to Cuba for breeding. The grade of cattle required for this purpose can only be raised successfully on the coast of South Carolina, Georgia and Florida; therefore, the development of this particular branch of cattle export will assist materially the cattle raisers of the country and give them a good profitable market for the stock they raise. Experiment has shown that cattle raised in the interior or elevated portions of the Southern States do not thrive when turned on the ranges in Cuba. The change in climate is too radical and the stock sickens and dies. The climate, weather conditions and hills to which cattle are heir on the South Carolina coast are very similar to those of Cuba, and the coast cattle of this State, therefore, not only stand the best chances in Cuba, but really thrive splendidly in that country.

News and Courier, April 6th.

A torpid liver causes depression of spirits, indigestion, constipation, headache. Use Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine to stimulate that organ.

Judge William C. Price, once the idol of the Southern Confederacy, cordially hated by the Abolitionists, and United States Treasurer during the last years of President Buchanan's Administration, will soon be 84 years old. He lives in Chicago, and boasts that he is still a rebel.

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The regular army of the United States will be recruited to its full strength, 105,000, by May 1.

ABOUT TRAVELING LIBRARIES.

INTERESTING ARTICLE FROM THE ABLE PRESIDENT OF WOMAN'S CLUBS.

A Mode of Library Work Which is Being Systematized by the Good Women.

Having received a great many inquiries as regards a mode of library work known as the traveling library, which is being systematized by the Federation of Woman's Clubs, I ask that you will give space to the following, in order that the propaganda of this work may be fully understood and appreciated by the people of our State:

A great awakening is being felt throughout the length and breadth of this broad land to the importance of a more general diffusion of knowledge to the masses, and out of this awakening has grown this work, which is missionary in the broadest sense, as its raison-d'etre is the placing of good literature in the reach of small towns, rural schools and villages, the carrying of good books into isolated communities where library privileges and benefits are unknown.

The traveling library is not a recent experiment, but as evidenced by other States is entirely a practical and successful project.

In the State of Wisconsin we find a record of eight years successful operation. A work that is supported by State aid, and is controlled by a library commission, consisting of a board of five persons, viz: The president of the State university, the State superintendent of schools, the secretary of the State historical society, with two others, appointed by the Governor. A State appropriation supports and carries out this plan of the free traveling library.

Ohio follows close in the lead of Wisconsin and other States, North, East, South and West are catching the inspiration. Our sister State, Georgia, with her usual enterprise, is abreast of the times.

The Georgia Woman's clubs have been sending out libraries as individual clubs for two years. The most important traveling library work, however, in the South, and which is unique in its inception, is that of the Seaboard Air Line railroad, under the superintendence of Mrs. Eugene Heard, of Middleton, Ga., and which, by her earnest efforts, has been systematized.

Mrs. Heard is an ardent member of the Georgia Federation, and is also chairman of the library committee of the general federation. The territory over which she has control (the Seaboard railroad) extends from Norfolk, Va., to Atlanta, Ga. This line of road, through its vice president, Mr. E. St. John, has contributed books used on the line and cases, free of charge, and otherwise assists in the successful carrying out of this project. Mrs. Heard's territory embraces 25 South Carolina towns or stations on the said railroad. These towns will be reached by the traveling library of the South Carolina Federation, through Mrs. Heard and her agents. It is projected to make Clinton, Chester, Cheraw and Abbeville distributing points for the adjacent territory on this line of road.

And now a word as to the method of this work. A certain number of books are denominated a library—say 50 or more—52 is the number adopted by the Seaboard railroad. These books are labeled and numbered and placed in a case made specially for the purpose, with stout doors, locks and handles, ready for transportation at a moment's notice. A local organization must be formed in towns and villages or communities desiring the use of the library—a librarian appointed who will be responsible for the safe return of the books. The books are then sent out for the free use of the public in the villages applying for the library. The books will be returned after the

expiration of the time allotted, which is about 30 days. The library is then returned to headquarters or forwarded to other towns desiring them who have complied with the requirements. Thus it may be seen that it matters not how small a village may be, by a little effort on their part the opportunity is offered them of securing good reading by simply applying for the books.

Now as regards the work in South Carolina: A recent visit to the majority of the women's clubs in the State shows that a widespread interest is being taken in this special work. Several clubs in the State—noticeable among which is the Century, of Charleston; Over the Tea Cups, Spartanburg; Once-a-Week, Seneca; Up-to-Date, Chester—have each donated a library, which library will bear the name of the club and each book inscribed with the name of the party donating the same.

A gentleman from the State of New York generously donated a library after hearing of our purpose. This library will bear the name of the donor.

Through the industrial agent, Mr. C. J. Chase, the co-operation of the Southern has been secured for the furtherance of the work.

COL. WILIE JONES INTERVIEWED.

Return of Second Regiment, South Carolina Volunteers.

In an interview of Col. Willie Jones, commanding officer of the 2d South Carolina regiment, by the Columbia correspondent of the News and Courier, he says:

Col. Willie Jones, commanding officer of the 2d South Carolina regiment, arrived in the city Sunday night, after seeing that the regiment was well quartered in Augusta. The regiment will be mustered out on the 10th of the month, if the present calculations are correct. The mustering officers are Lieut. Newman and Lieut. Frederick, and the books of the officers are now being prepared for muster out.

Col. Jones is looking splendidly, and says that he ought to feel well after having gotten his regiment out of Cuba. Col. Jones admits that he was very much worried about the men of the 2d regiment in Havana developed cases of yellow fever, and two of his men were put in side tents as "suspects," and that he was dreadfully worried lest the men might develop yellow fever, and if the disease had broken out in the camp he did not know where it would end, or how the men would get home. He says that ever since the hot weather set in he has been working to have the regiment brought back to the States, because of fear of disease and nothing else.

Col. Jones said that the present strength of the regiment is 840, and he thinks that is remarkable, and incidentally it may be mentioned that it speaks finely for Col. Jones' administration that during the entire stay in Cuba only three men in the regiment died. They were McKay, Trevett and Epling. Col. Jones still has nine men in the hospital in Cuba, and he is satisfied that all of those there will recover and join the regiment, or be mustered out later.

Col. Jones said that in his opinion, as well as that of Gen. Lee and other officers, the 2d South Carolina had the finest camp of any of the regiments of the 7th army corps.

Col. Jones talked a little about the politics of the island, and in his opinion Gen. Gomez will be elected President of the new republic. He says that the Cubans generally, the army, the Spaniards and the Americans are all in favor of the election of Gen. Gomez as President of the island. He says that the Spaniards favor Gomez's election because they think the United States want it, and whatever the United States wants is agreeable to the Spaniards. Gen. Gomez is the great favorite in Cuba, and every Sunday afternoon bands of Cubans march through the streets, and go to Gomez's home to hear him speak.

The American, Cuban and San Domingo flags are displayed in the parades. Col. Jones says that the United States will give the Gomez administration a trial, and if it is too expensive or is not satisfactory then the likelihood is that there will be another election on the matter of annexation. The election for President of the republic is expected to come off in June.

Col. Jones says that as soon as the government becomes more stable Cuba will be an elegant field for investment. The lands are beautiful and fertile, and Col. Jones thinks that money is to be made there. Farm lands near Havana, are worth from \$2 to \$3 per acre. In the city of Havana property is exceedingly high. The city has a large population, and everything is very much crowded.

Col. Jones said that at the outbreak of the military rules were very rigid, and the men were not given much opportunity of seeing the city of Havana, but later there was considerable license granted and the men were generally allowed the liberty of the city.

Col. Jones said that there was never a finer body of men together, in his opinion, than the men of the 7th army corps, under command of Gen. Lee. He says that the members of the 2d regiment are all delighted to get back to the States, and every man in the regiment South Carolina is going home.

The health of the regiment is now excellent, and there is no sickness whatsoever at this time. Immediately on being mustered out of the service Col. Jones will resume his duties as cashier of the Carolina National Bank of this city.

The ultimate salvation of the island and its people," said Col. Jones, "lies in the retention of the United States troops and the continuance of a military government. The best hope for the island is a complete demoralization that the people are unfitted for government, and need the supervision of some power sufficiently strong to keep promptly the first outbreak of insurrection or disorder, and with a disposition to do it without fear or favor. My conviction is that if the troops are withdrawn or civil administration substituted all the good that has been done will be undone and Cuba revert to its old condition of lawlessness and civil government.

Derangements of menstrual functions produce miscarriage. Simmons' Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets correct derangements.

The Round Bale Condemned.

There has been considerable controversy between the friends and opponents of the new "round" cotton bales as to the merits of a very high cotton authority, which was printed last Sunday in the Florence correspondent of the News and Courier will probably have a great weight with most farmers and shippers. The letter was from the great exporting firm of Sprunt & Son, of Wilmington, to a correspondent at Florence, and runs as follows: "We hope you will not adopt the round bale system. It cannot be used for export at any price, and our agent in Liverpool writes us that it is sold over the counter for less money than the square bale. We have entered thoroughly into an investigation of the round bale people's claim, and we do not believe that the bale is practicable for trade generally. It may suit a few mills who especially desire it, but it cannot be accepted as a regular bale nor on any order without a special agreement before hand. It is, therefore, useless to us, and we would not buy it on any terms. There is no advantage in transportation. We can get much more cotton in a ship of square bales than we can in the round. We have proved this to be the case."

"The great cotton mill to be built at Huntsville, Ala., by the Merrimac Company, of Connecticut," says the Tradesman, "is to be one of the largest and most complete in the world. It will run 200,000 spindles, with looms to match, and will have a bleachery and print works, 'the first of the latter in the Southern cotton trade.' The cost will be about \$2,000,000 and 5,000 hands will be employed. 'The concern will rival the greatest one in New England.'"

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Given under my hand and seal, this 29th day of March Anno Domini 1899. D. A. SMITH, Probate Judge of Probate for Oconee County, S. C. Published on the 30th day of March, 1899, in the KNOXES COURIER and Oconee News. 13-14

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State of South Carolina, County of Oconee.

CLARK CRUMPTON, who is in the custody of the Sheriff of Oconee County, a writ of Habeas Corpus, facias, at the suit of Lindy Nichols, having filed in my office, together with a schedule on oath, of his estate and effects, in petition to the Court of Common Pleas, praying that he may be admitted to the benefit of the Acts of the General Assembly made for the relief of insolvent debtors, and for final discharge as executor of said estate. JAMES S. HAYNES, Sheriff of Oconee County, S. C., on the 24th day of April next to show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the petition aforesaid should not be granted. JAMES S. HAYNES, Sheriff of Oconee County, S. C., 30th March, 1899. 13-16

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Notice to Debtors and Creditors.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of M. H. Bryce, deceased, are hereby notified to make payment to the undersigned, or persons having claims against said estate will present the same, duly attested, within the time prescribed by law or be barred.

By Order of the Estate of M. H. Bryce, deceased. April 6, 1899. 14-17

THE CHURCHES.

The appointments for the Walhalla Circuit are as follows: First Sunday, at Whitfield's at 11 a. m.; Second Sunday, at Double Springs at 11 a. m.; Third Sunday, at Oconee at 11 a. m.; Zion at 8 p. m.; Fourth Sunday, at Fairview at 11 a. m.; at Newry at 7 p. m.

A. A. MEHRITT, P. C.

The following are the appointments of the Westminster Circuit for the year, 1899:

First Sunday—Hopewell, 11 a. m.; Nazareth, 3:30 p. m.; Second Sunday—Westminster, 11 a. m.; Rock Springs, 3:30 p. m.; Third Sunday—Center, 11 a. m.; Fourth Sunday—Rock Springs, 11 a. m.; Westminster, 3:30 p. m.

R. R. DAGNALL, P. C.

West Union Baptist Church. Preaching every fourth Sunday at 11 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. P. J. Vermilion.

Sunday school at 10 o'clock a. m.—C. R. D. Burns, Superintendent. Prayer meeting every Sunday at eight o'clock p. m.

The following are the appointments of the St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church:

Sunday School at 11 a. m., Mr. J. J. Ansel, Superintendent. Divine Services in English on the 2d and 4th Sundays at 11 a. m., and on each Thursday at 4:30 p. m. German on the 1st and 3d Sundays at 11 a. m.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

Condensed Schedules in Effect Dec. 4th, 1898.

STATIONS.	Ex. Sun.	Daily.
Ar. Charleston	10:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Ar. Columbia	11:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Ar. Prosperity	12:10 p.m.	12:10 p.m.
Ar. Newberry	1:20 p.m.	1:20 p.m.
Ar. Ninety-Six	2:30 p.m.	2:30 p.m.
Ar. Greenwood	3:40 p.m.	3:40 p.m.
Ar. Hodges	4:50 p.m.	4:50 p.m.
Ar. Abbeville	6:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.
Ar. Belton	7:10 p.m.	7:10 p.m.
Ar. Darlington	8:20 p.m.	8:20 p.m.
Ar. Greenville	9:30 p.m.	9:30 p.m.
Ar. Anderson	10:40 p.m.	10:40 p.m.
Ar. Aiken	11:50 p.m.	11:50 p.m.
Ar. Charleston	12:00 p.m.	12:00 p.m.

Atlantic Coast Line.

Passenger Department, Wilmington, N. C., February 24, 1897.

Fast Line Between Charleston and Columbia and South Carolina and North Carolina.

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Ar. Aiken	11:50 p.m.	11:50 p.m.
Ar. Charleston	12:00 p.m.	12:00 p.m.

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Ar. Columbia	10 58 a	12 42 p	8 08 p	2
Lv. Mt. Airy	11 25 a	1 30 p	8 55 p	2
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" " " "	6 03 p			8
" " " "	6 26 p			8
Lv. Charlotte	8 22 p			8
Ar. Greensboro	10 45 p			12
Lv. Greensboro	10 50 p			8